

(Parents are given information through the Parent Information and Resource Packet, as well as in the Client Responsibility Agreement, as explanation of what factors impact the parent co-pay through a sliding fee scale.)

PAYING YOUR PARENTAL FEES

You are required to pay a portion of your child care costs called the parental fee. This amount is set based on your income and the number of people in your household. Your fee should be paid directly to your provider at the beginning of each month. If you fail to make this payment, your benefits may be terminated. If a complaint is received from your provider that your fees have not been paid, you must make acceptable arrangements to pay those fees or your benefits may be terminated. You must pay your parental fee even if you change child care providers.

Your fee covers the hours agreed upon and shown on your Child Care Certificate. Your provider can charge you for any other hours used beyond what is authorized on the Certificate. They can also charge you late fees if you arrive for your child after hours. They cannot charge you for any additional amounts above the county's rate even though their rates for private clients are probably higher than the county's rate.

If you change work hours or have to work overtime, you must notify your worker or these hours may not be covered by the county.

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7. PARENTAL FEE:

I agree to pay the designated co-payment per month as my parental share as set forth on the Child Care Certificate. I understand that my parental fee is based on my income and household size and is subject to change.

I understand that if I do not pay this fee to my child care provider **I will lose my child care benefits.**

I understand that if I request assistance with another child care provider and I still owe fees to any previous provider, I will not receive assistance until satisfactory repayment arrangements have been made.

8. I understand that if any parent in my household is self-employed I/we must maintain an average income that exceeds business expenses.

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CLIENT RESPONSIBILITIES AGREEMENT
(portion that applies to parent co-pay based on sliding fee scale)